

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
)
Plaintiff,)
) **Case No. 20-cr-30157-DWD**
vs.)
)
MICHAEL ALLEN,)
)
Defendant.)

PRELIMINARY ORDER OF FORFEITURE

DUGAN, District Judge:

In this Indictment filed in the above cause on October 21, 2020, the United States sought forfeiture of property of Defendant Michael Allen pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(d). (Doc. 1) Allen pleaded guilty on September 23, 2021, and, upon consideration of the guilty plea, the Court **FINDS forfeitable and ORDERS forfeited** the following property:

A Springfield XD 9mm, semi-automatic pistol, bearing serial number GM816983; and any and all ammunition contained therein.

The United States, under the authority of 21 U.S.C. § 853(n)(1), shall “publish notice of the order and of its intent to dispose of the property in such matter as the Attorney General may direct,” to provide notice of the forfeiture and of the right of persons other than the defendant who have any claim or legal interest in any of the property to file a petition with the Court. The notice shall be provided in a manner consistent with Supplemental Rule G(4)(a) of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions.

The notice shall state that the petition shall:

- Be set for a hearing to adjudicate the validity of the petitioner's alleged interest in the property;
- Be signed by the petitioner under penalty of perjury; and
- Set forth the nature and extent of the petitioner's right, title, or interest in the forfeited property and any additional facts supporting the petitioner's claim and the relief sought.

The United States shall, also to the extent practicable, provide direct written notice to any person known to have alleged an interest in the property that is the subject of the Order for Forfeiture, as the substitute for the published notice to those persons so notified. Upon the filing a petition alleging the third-party interests in the property, the Court may amend this Order to resolve the claimed third-party interests.

The United States Marshal or the custodian for the bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives shall seize and reduce to his possession, if he has not already done so, the above-described property. This Order, pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(4) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, shall become final with respect to Defendant Michael Allen at the time of the Defendant's sentencing, regardless of whether or not the rights of actual or potential third-party petitioners have been determined by that time. Absent any revisions or modifications prior to the imposition of sentence, this Order shall be made part of the sentence of Defendant Michael Allen and shall be included in the Judgment imposed against the defendant. *See FED. R. CRIM. P. 32.2(b)(2).* Although this Order will be final with respect to the defendant at the time of sentencing, it may be

amended with respect to petitions filed by third parties claiming an interest in the subject-matter forfeited property.

The United States may abandon forfeiture of the property by filing notice of the abandonment with the Court.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: September 30, 2021

The image shows a handwritten signature "David W. Dugan" in black ink, positioned above the official circular seal of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois. The seal features an eagle with wings spread, perched atop a shield with stars and stripes. The text "UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT" is at the top, and "SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS" is at the bottom.

DAVID W. DUGAN
United States District Court Judge